

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence, including listed enclosures is being electronically transmitted in Portable Document Form (PDF) through EFS-Web via Hyper Text Transfer Protocol to the United States Patent and Trademark Office's Patent Electronic Business Center on:

Dated: 03/04/2004

Signed: Ruf Foy

PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 061818-5002-US04

Client Ref.: 98-207-5

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Nicholas L. Abbott, *et al.*

Application No. 10/044,899

Filed: 01-09-2002

For: Optical Amplification of Molecular  
Interactions Using Liquid Crystals

Customer No.: 43850

Confirmation No.: 3817

Examiner: Lundgren, Jeffrey S.

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1639

**STATEMENT OF RELATEDNESS**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In view of *Dayco Products Inc. v. Total Containment Inc.*, 66 USPQ2d 1801 (Fed. Cir. 2003) and *McKesson Information Solutions Inc. v. Bridge Medical Inc.*, 82 USPQ2d 1865 (Fed. Cir. 2007) and in satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and as required by M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b), Applicants note that the present application is related to the following patent applications:

U.S. Application Serial No. 09/784,679, filed 02-15-2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,692,699;

U.S. Application Serial No. 10/625,869, filed 07-23-2003, now abandoned; and

U.S. Application Serial No. 10/779,161, filed 02-13-2004, now U.S. Patent No. 7,651,662.

The Examiner is encouraged to review the art made of record, any Office Action, and any Notice of Allowance in the above-mentioned related applications.

Applicants believe that no fee is required for submission of this statement. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0310. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Ralf Fang  
Reg. No. 65,431  
*for* Todd Esker  
Reg. No. 46,690

MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS, LLP  
One Market, Spear Street Tower  
San Francisco, California 94105  
Direct Dial: 415.442.1304  
Tel: 415.442.1000  
E-Fax: 415.442.1001  
E-mail: tesker@morganlewis.com